



SUMMARY MINUTES

ABAG Legislation and Governmental Organization Committee Meeting
Thursday, March 16, 2017
Bay Area Metro Center

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL / CONFIRM QUORUM

ABAG Legislation and Governmental Organization Committee Chair Scott Haggerty, Supervisor, Alameda County, called the meeting of the Legislation and Governmental Organization Committee of the Association of Bay Area Governments to order.

A quorum of the Committee was present.

Members Present:

Chair, Supervisor Scott Haggerty, Alameda County
Supervisor David Cortese, County of Santa Clara
Councilmember Julie Pierce, ABAG President, City of Clayton
Vice Mayor Dave Hudson, City of San Ramon
Supervisor Karen Mitchoff, Contra Costa County
Mayor Greg Scharff, City of Palo Alto

ABAG Staff:

Brad Paul, Acting Executive Director
Halimah Anderson, Communications Officer
Duane Bay, Assistant Planning and Research Director
Ada Chan, Regional Planner
Jerry Lahr, Energy Programs Manager
Fred Castro, Executive Assistant/Clerk of the Board

MTC Staff:

Rebecca Long, Government Relations Manager
Georgia Gann Dohrmann, Assistant Government Relations Manager

2. Approval of Minutes from January 19, 2017 Meeting.

Supervisor Karen Mitchoff made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Julie Pierce. The meeting minutes were approved (6-0).

3. Duane Bay, ABAG Assistant Planning and Research Director and Ada Chan, ABAG Regional Planner

Duane and Ada provided an overview of eight housing bills, along with staff recommendations.

- Following the staff report and recommendations, the committee voted to take a *watch* position on three pieces of legislation authored by Assemblymember Chiu -- AB 71, AB 73, and AB 74.
- The committee voted to take a position of *watch and seek amendment* on AB 1423 (Chiu).
- Duane noted that AB 1423 is a spot bill and the language is still very conceptual. The amendments that staff are seeking are to assure that the bill reflects technical language that ABAG has requested, such as having to report actual parcel numbers for housing produced, so that we can do GIS analysis, not just area totals.
- In addition, the committee took a *watch* position on SB 2 (Atkins) and a *support* position on SB 3 (Beall). The Committee took a watch position on SB 540 (Roth) and SB 35 (Wiener).

Councilmember Pierce made a motion regarding the positions listed above and the motion was seconded by Mayor Scharff. The committee approved the motion (6-0).

4. Jerry Lahr, ABAG Energy Programs Manager

Jerry noted that we are recommending support for SB 564 (McGuire). This bill directly supports our BayREN program, which strives for energy efficiency. This is a reintroduction of a bill that we supported last year.

Following the staff report, Vice Mayor Hudson made a motion to support SB 564 and the motion was seconded by Supervisor Haggerty.

5. Brad Paul, ABAG Acting Executive Director

Brad provided an overview on 15 pieces of other legislation that ABAG is currently monitoring, including AB 18 (Garcia) and SB 435 (Dodd).

Following the presentation, the committee took a support position on AB 18 and a watch position on all of the other bills presented in this item.

6. Rebecca Long, MTC Government Relations Manager

Rebecca noted that ABAG and MTC are developing principles that expand on advocacy campaign program. Rebecca noted that staff would like to bring draft housing principles before the Regional Planning Committee's housing subcommittee and then present them to the ABAG L&GO Committee in May and to the MTC Legislation Committee for adoption.

The principles would help give us a basis on which to advocate.

7. Legislative Workshop and Reception

Councilmember Pierce noted that the Legislative Workshop and Reception will be held on Wednesday, March 22, 2017.